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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH MARCOS

IN ADDITION TO THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT YOU ARE RECEIVING
SEPTTEL, I WANT TO ADD MY OWN PERSONAL THOUGHTS ON WHERE
WE STAND AND HOW THINGS MIGHT BEST PROCEED. I HAVE A
NAGGING CONCERN THAT THE GOP MAY ACT IN SUCH A WAY AS TO
SUCK US INTO A REPETITION OF THE LAST NEGOTIATION IN 1976,
BOGGED DOWN IN A DETAILED AND HARMFUL DISPUTE WITH ONE
OF SEVERAL RP PANELS ON A NUMBER OF MINOR ISSUES WHICH
WILL EFFECTIVELY BLOCK REAL PROGRESS AND GRADUALLY
ENVENOM THE ATMOSPHERE. IF YOU SEE ANY SUCH IMPASSES
COMING UP, I HOPE YOU WILL AVOID THEM THROUGH A COMBINATION
OF DELAY, HUMOR, AND AN EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO FIND
SOME IMAGINATIVE WAY TO BREAK THROUGH. I HOPE THAT YOU

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CAN MANEUVER SO AS TO RETAIN DIRECT ACCESS TO MARCOS
TO WORK THINGS OUT PRIVATELY IF NECESSARY. ENRILE IS A
SKILLED AND INTELLIGENT MAN, BUT HE PLAYS A COMPLEX ROLE
IN THE DISCUSSIONS, ONE WHICH SOMETIMES SERVES TO DEFLECT
OUR EFFORTS TO HAVE MARCOS COMMIT HIMSELF.
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